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Our firm is located in the Smith Building and is amply prepared to take care of all real estate and insurance business which you may entrust to us. Our long experience in business matters makes us capable of careful and prompt attention.

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### Our Fountain

is in operation and we are serving the best cold drinks that can be made. Our ice cream is gaining the reputation of being the most delightful ever served to the people here.

### Our Ladies' Parlor

is given special attention and patrons are given courteous attention at all times. A nice, quiet place to enjoy refreshments.

### HARRELL'S

**Bon Ton Confectionery**  
East Side Square

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A delay may mean the loss to you of years of saving for the home and its contents. It may mean the loss of your entire stock of merchandise by fire thereby almost ruining you financially.

### Insure Now

in the best Insurance companies in the United States and be safe. We pay special and prompt attention to all matters of this kind.

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## Canyon Lumber Co.

**Long Leaf Yellow Pine Lumber**  
SASH, DOORS, MOULDINGS  
and CEDAR SHINGLES.

Better See Us Before Buying.

**Canyon Lumber Co.**

## NEW HIGH VALUE IS ESTABLISHED

LANDS NEAR CANYON CITY SELL FOR  
ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER ACRE.

A Quarter Section of Alfalfa Land  
Brings Highest Price on Record  
for Farm.

People who have been watching Randall county and the Plains country come to the front have seen the steady but very rapid advancement in the price of lands in this section. During the past few years lands have gone up more and more each year as their agricultural values have been exploited and their producing ability established until now the prices are assuming the level that they rightfully deserve. There have been numbers of sales of farm lands in the county at prices from forty to sixty dollars per acre and the people who had not investigated wondered at the price. But the older residents of the Plains country now know that there is a definite future before it, and also know that if they expect to gain of the material increase of the future they must take advantage of the opportunity as it now exists.

W. W. Allison of this city is one of those who have been in this section of the state for several years and has been well acquainted with the development from the grazing lands to the farm. He was acquainted with this country when prices were at one dollar per acre to the state school fund and has seen the prices go from that to their present level. Mr. Allison realizes that now is the time for investment in this good real estate if he ever expects to get a hold on it. To this end he has this week bought of Messrs Mantz and Peacock the northwest quarter of section 63 in Block B5, containing 160 acres at the price of \$100 per acre or a total sum of \$16,000.00. Outside of the fencing there are no improvements on the property other than about eighty or eighty-five acres of alfalfa. There is, altogether about 130 acres of alfalfa land in the entire tract the remainder being suitable for pasture and for building site.

The value of this land is not in its proximity to town for it will never be a piece of land suitable for town additions, but its value is in its revenue producing ability as an alfalfa farm. It lies principally in the valley of the Tierra Blanco and produces very fine alfalfa each year regardless of rains and overhead moisture. Lands in this same valley and near it have been known to produce as much as \$60 per acre in one year.

In buying this land Mr. Allison but expresses his confidence in the future of the country. He knows that ere long tracts of this kind will be among those which cannot be bought and that the lands in Randall county are great revenue producers else he would not have invested so heavily in this property.

### The Weather.

The past week has been one of the finest that could be imagined when it comes to considering the weather if you leave out the norther which came Wednesday afternoon rather suddenly. The weather has been balmy and warm most of the time but as stated, on Wednesday afternoon a northern came up and that night a small sprinkling of snow fell. Yesterday was another nice day.

Be a News subscriber.

### TO ERECT PANHANDLE BUILDING.

State Fair Association Suggests a Permanent  
Home for Exhibits from the Plains.

To this city this week comes a letter from Lon D. Marrs, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Amarillo, requesting the co-operation of the business men and farmers of this county to the end that a permanent building might be erected on the State Fair grounds at Dallas as a home for the exhibits of the Panhandle counties who build the building.

In his letter Secretary Marrs seems to be very enthusiastic about the matter and desires a speedy reply with reference to the proposition. The Fair Association agrees to furnish the site for the building, the same location as was used by the Panhandle exhibitors last year, and also will assist in any way possible in the establishment of the building, and that they will also establish within this building, should the Panhandle so desire, their fishery, fountain, etc. and assist in making a success of the enterprise.

From the correspondence it seems that it is contemplated that ten Panhandle counties join and build a permanent building at an expense of about \$4,000 or \$500, each which would be the total expense to the counties as the Fair Association would evidently be glad to keep the building after its erection. The Panhandle country would thus be assured of a place to exhibit each year in addition to the distinction of having a place of their own. Of course if other counties of the Panhandle should care to join it would only make the building larger and more imposing.

### Equalization Board.

L. E. Cowling, J. C. Pipkin and Dr. J. M. Black, constituting the board of equalization for the town, have been busy at work the most of this week adjusting the valuations of property rendered for city taxes. It is their intention to get each piece of property so rendered that their value on tax rolls constitute an equitable basis for taxation. They are considering each piece of property rendered and placing a proper value on the same. These men are well posted and we feel assured that they will adjust matters to the satisfaction of all parties.

### Haney-Luke.

Cards were received in this city last Wednesday announcing the marriage of Miss Bess Haney, the daughter of Judge and Mrs. Jasper N. Haney of this city, to Mr. Fred Luke, the wedding occurring at Fort Worth on the evening of April 1. The young people went from this city to Fort Worth and were married after which they spent several days visiting relatives at Weatherford and other points returning to Canyon City on Tuesday morning. While the wedding came as a surprise to the many friends of the young couple still they are unanimous in their wishes for a happy life for the young couple. Miss Haney is the daughter of Judge and Mrs. Jasper N. Haney and is one of the most beautiful and accomplished young ladies of the city, while Mr. Luke is connected with the firm of Keiser Brothers & Phillips and has been a resident of this city for about three years during which time he has made as many friends as a man could make during that time among the citizens of the county. The News and its force joins everybody in this town in those words of felicitation which are deserved by this worthy couple.

## SMALL INTEREST IN CITY ELECTION.

LIGHT VOTE IS POLLED LAST TUESDAY  
IN THE CITY OFFICIAL ELECTION.

Not Much Change in the Official Family—  
Haney is Re-elected Mayor By a Satisfactory Majority.

Tuesday was election day in this city and a person would not have known the fact had it not been that some of the public spirited people got out in the afternoon and rustled out a few of those qualified to vote. There was only about 136 votes cast during the entire day, showing the apathy of the voters.

Those who did vote, however, had a choice in every instance except for the office of City Attorney and Secretary, for which C. V. Woolley was the only aspirant. The greatest interest, if any at all, was shown in the Mayor's race, there having been placed upon the ticket the names of George A. Brandon and the present incumbent, Jasper N. Haney. When the vote was counted it was found that Brandon had 40 votes and Haney 85 who had selected him for the mayoralty.

For City Marshal, J. H. Jewell and Charlie McDade were the two from whom to choose. Charlie received 27 votes and Jewell walked off with 101. C. V. Woolley got 125 votes for Attorney and Secretary.

In the races for Alderman it was a case of seeing who did not want the office. It is the first time in the history of the News reporter that he has ever seen a candidate requesting the people to vote for the other man. David Thomas captured the place in Ward 1, having received 68 votes to Jim Foster's 58, and Foster is "all smiles tonight." Brent Taylor seems to have eclipsed for E. H. Ackley pretty hard in the race for Alderman in Ward 2. Either that or he is a better mixer than Ackley, for Ackley got 100 votes and Taylor got 27, tying McDade for the low place in the election. R. G. Oldham and D. A. Park were the two men for Alderman in Ward 3. You couldn't hear much about this race during the day, but the count showed that Park had 87 votes and Mr. Oldham had 49. It is said that Park is considering the advisability of contesting the election.

### Moving Day.

On account of some sales of city property and the fact that there was quite a stir among the local people in this city the first of the week. J. L. Prichard and family moved to their farm just northeast of the city and C. A. Leith moved with his family to some point east of us in Texas.

E. H. Ackley is compelled to move on account of selling his property to Mrs. Moreland who moves into the Ackley property. R. S. Pipkin purchased the Leith property and moved into it. E. W. Pipkin purchased the residence formerly occupied by Comer Thomas and moved into it after Thomas had moved into the house vacated by R. S. Pipkin. A. H. Thompson sold his residence to some party from the north and had to give immediate possession which was done. Mr. Thompson moving into the I. L. Hunt house on West Evelyn street which he recently purchased, the former tenant, C. C. Johnson having moved into the house vacated by J. L. Prichard. The purchaser of the Thompson property moved into it. Seems to have been considerable movement for the day lines after all. This leaves one vacant residence in this city and that is held vacant being offered for sale.

### EDUCATIONAL RALLY.

Citizens of Wayside Community to Hold Mass  
Meeting and Picnic Next Week.

The people who live near Wayside have a club which they have named "The Wayside Educational Club" and it has for its purpose the betterment of the community in every way possible. They hold meetings every Thursday night and from reports coming from that place a great deal of good seems to be emanating.

This club has decided to hold an old time educational rally and for that purpose have appointed Saturday of next week for a celebration at which time a public dinner will be served to all who desire to attend. An interesting program has been arranged and several speakers well known in this section have signified their willingness to attend and address the assembled people.

Just at this time the main topic of interest among the people in that community is their public school, and while other items of interest will be discussed on the Rally day, the schools and its benefits will take the greatest consideration.

## Big Bargains!

In order to clear out the stock of the lines of goods which we will not handle in the future, we are offering some exceptionally strong BARGAINS—Bargains at such low prices that you'll not be able to secure anywhere else at an early date.

**Lincoln Paints**—Our entire stock of this well known paint is being closed out at the hitherto unheard of low price of \$1.00 to \$1.15 per Gallon.

**Ladies' Shoes**—The remainder of our stock of these shoes may be had at cost and less than wholesale cost. Better investigate these.

**Men's Hats**—Here is where you can get a hat at almost your own price. They're good, too.

We have many other articles which we are offering at prices far below their real value. Come and see them.

### S. V. Wirt

North Side, Public Square.

## Help the Ladies!

For benefit of the Ladies' Home Mission Society of Methodist church the Canyon Mercantile Company has agreed to donate to that society on Friday and Saturday, April 16 and 17, and on Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24, a nice percentage on all sales made in their Glassware, China and Crockery Departments.

The Mercantile Company has just received a new and extensive line of these articles and, as prices will be the same as usual, we will appreciate all purchases made in these departments of that store on those dates.

**Ladies' Home Mission Society.**